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Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School News 'n' Views

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Term 3

Week 2

27th July, 2016

FUTURE DATES...

JULY

Friday 29th

2:00pm Assembly
Parent Group Trivia
Night

AUGUST

Monday 1st

Kindergarten Excursion

Tuesday 2nd

6:30pm Year 5 PDHPE

Wednesday 3rd

Book Club Orders Due

7:30pm Parent Group

Meeting

Thursday 4th

Meal Deal

Friday 5th

2:00pm Assembly

NOTES SENT HOME

MONDAY

- ❖ Year 4 Staff Update
- ❖ Lunch time Sales Parent Helpers

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TODAY

- ❖ Book Club

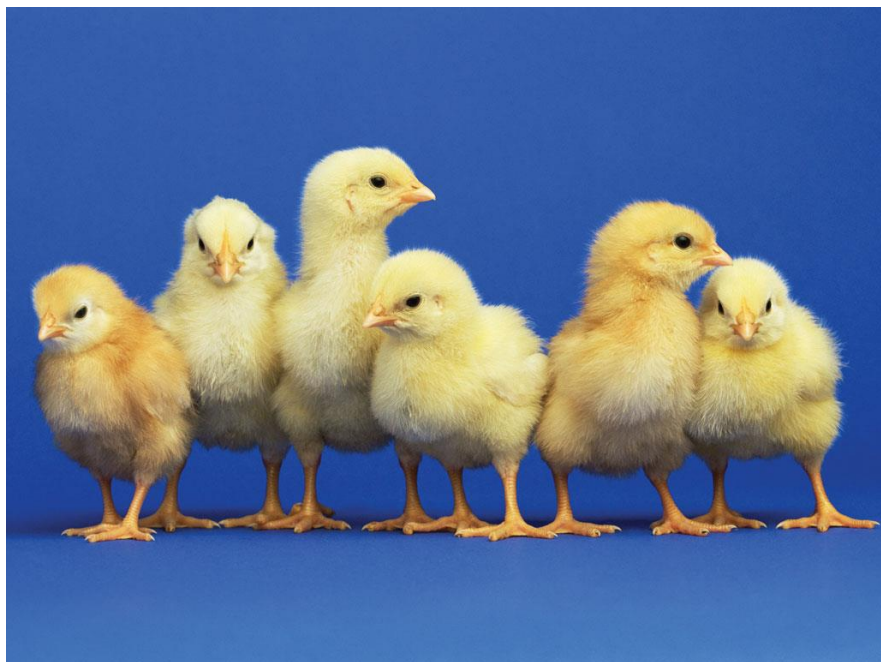
Respect
Responsibility
Readiness to
Learn

Dear Parents,

Finally the weather was on our side and we were able to have our running races for the Primary School students today. The Infants did not miss out, their tabloid games, held at school, were organized by the teachers and they were still able to have their morning learning. This was particularly special in Year 1 as 8 chickens had hatched overnight. It was also very important to Year 2 as it was their grandparents' morning.

In order for this important sports day to go ahead a lot had to be organized and lots of flexibility with parents and staff was needed. It would have been easy to say the carnival was cancelled for the year after our last bout of rain and I thank Ms Critchlow and Mrs Regan in particular for all their hard work.

Meanwhile our pilgrims have progressed to Poland. Their progress can also be checked on Facebook and if you are lucky you may catch a glimpse of Miss Bentley, Miss Musgrave or Miss Mercado.



With regards,

Lesley Studans

GOLD AWARDS

Congratulations to this week's Gold

Award winners:

Kindergarten	DeAsia
Year 1	Zachary
Year 2	Liv
Year 5	Charlise
Year 6	Neil



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Order forms have been sent home today. Please only return the forms next Wednesday, 3rd August. This is the only day that orders can be returned to school. We are unable to keep orders at school prior to this day.

2017 ENROLMENTS

If you have not yet accepted your child's enrolment for Kindergarten 2017 could you please do so by next Monday, 1st August. Thank you.

SICK CHILDREN

In this time of winter chills where illness is more prevalent, please be mindful of others as infections spread rapidly to other children and their teachers. Please be considerate of the wellbeing of others in our community and make sure your child is well before returning to school.



STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHS

Please advise the school office in writing if you **do not wish** to have your child's photograph appear in any of our publications including newsletters, parent handbooks and on our website. Thank you.

CONTACT NUMBERS

Are your contact numbers during school hours up-to-date? If these have changed recently, could you please let the office know.



LOLATHON - DATE CLAIMER

Mark this date in your diary!! Friday September 9th - the quadrennial (now there's a term to remember!!) LOLathon. Watch this space - more details to follow.

ICAS ENGLISH

The ICAS English competition will take place next Tuesday August 2nd for all those students in Years 3 - 6 who have registered. No further registrations are possible as the papers have already been received. Due to the nature of the competition it will only be able to be held on the date advertised. Any students who are absent on the day will be unable to take part in the competition.

HIGH JUMP and DISCUS

HIGH JUMP and DISCUS will NOT be held at the Blacktown Zone Carnival on the 16th August, 2016. If you would like your child to participate in either of these events please supply a copy of their Little Athletics results. To be entered in the high jump, children must meet the qualification height, which will be verified from their Little Athletics Achievement Book.

MEAL DEAL HELPERS NEEDED

Any parents, with up-to-date child protection, are needed to help Year 6 parents prepare the meal deal on Thursday, 4th August. All help gratefully accepted. Please contact Trish Falzon, 0413 732 973, if you can help.



SCHOOL FEES

Term 3 School Fees have now been issued and mailed to your home/billing address. School Fees are due by Monday, 22nd August 2016. If you have not received your statement by Monday, 1st August please contact our school office on 9622 7216.

School Office hours are 8:30am – 3:30pm (Closed from 10:40am to 11:00am) All payments and enquiries can be made during that time. Payments may be made by cash, cheque, EFTPOS, BPay, Post BillPay or by Credit Card. Details are located on the bottom of the statement. When paying by BPay please use the current statement. We advise that we are unable to process EFTPOS payments after 3:30pm.

SCHOOL CENSUS

Our annual School Census will take place on Friday, 5th August. If your child(ren) will be absent from school leading up to or on this day, please inform your child's class teacher in writing as soon as possible. This is an audit requirement and helps to determine our funding. Thank you.

UNIFORM APPOINTMENTS

Tuesday mornings and

Thursday afternoons

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

code d299k (lower case)



PARENT GROUP NEWS...

PARENT GROUP MEETING

The next parent group meeting will be held in the library next Wednesday, 3rd August at 7:30 pm. Please note the later start time to allow parents who are attending the Parish Sacramental program to also attend the Parent Group meeting.

A reminder that at this meeting Mrs Polo will attend with samples of the proposed new school jumper for parents to view prior to its introduction next year. If you have any topics you would like to be discussed please email these to as agenda items to ololpg@hotmail.com as well as anything else that is Parent Group related



BUS TRIP

The flyer for bus shopping trip went home last week. If you would like to attend what has been a fun and relaxing day in the past please rsvp by filling out the form.



LUNCHTIME HELPERS

A note was sent home on Monday re helpers needed for lunchtime sales. Please consider volunteering for one day in the term. All help is gratefully accepted.

Maths Is Fun

EXPLORING MATHEMATICS WITH YOUR CHILD

You may feel that the maths your child is doing at school is different from how you were taught, but you will still be able to support your child in many ways. There are lots of activities you can do at home, using everyday items to help explore maths with your child.

TRAVEL TIMETABLES

Can you identify your starting point on the timetable?

What is the earliest and latest time to travel on this route? What is the difference?

How long does it take to travel the entire route?

How many stops are there on this route?

What is the difference in the time travelled

when not making all stops? What is the cost?

Is it good value compared to other travel options?

MONEY

Encouraging children to think about money,



saving money and considering how they spend money are important skills for all children to develop.

Encourage your child to work out how much change you will get after buying something.

Investigate costs for family trips together.

For example, a visit to the movies may include transport costs, entry ticket costs and food costs.

Discuss saving money for presents or something your child may want to buy. Work out how long it will take to save this much if they get a small amount of money each week.

Negotiate increases in pocket money as percentages. For example, a 5% increase would be how much money per week?

Encourage your child to save a percentage of their pocket money or birthday money, and work out how much this would be. For example, how much money would you have if you saved 40% each week?

Calculate together how much a mobile phone costs per month.

How much is spent on messages and how much on phone calls?



CURRICULUM CONVERSATIONS

ON MONDAY 25TH JULY YEARS THREE AND FOUR PARTICIPATED IN AN EXCURSION TO THE EASTERN CREEK RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY IN ORDER TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROCESSES BEHIND HOW WE RECOVER VALUABLE RESOURCES FROM EVERYDAY 'WASTE' AND SUSTAINABLY MANAGE THE WASTE LIFECYCLE. THIS TERM STUDENTS ARE BECOMING ENVIRONMENTAL WARRIORS AND AS PART OF OUR GEOGRAPHY AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CURRICULUM LEARNING ABOUT:

- * WHAT IS SUSTAINABILITY?
- * WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT BEING SUSTAINABLE?
- * HOW CAN WE PROTECT OUR FUTURE AS STEWARDS OF CREATION?

